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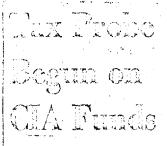
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Rouse Unit Orders Foundations Inquiry

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 22. A new congressional invesplayed by tax-exempt founment of Central Intelligence Agency funds was ordered today by Rep. Joe L. Evins (D., Tenn.), chairman of the House Select Committee on Small Busi-

Evins declared the inquiry will be made by a subcommittee headed by Rep. Wright Patman.

In 1964, Patman (D., Tenn.) die rected a subcommittee investigation which turned up the fact that the CIA was giving money to the J. M. Kaplan Fund, a New York Houndation. Patman then described the-Kapian fund as "a conduit for chapucing CIA funds."

The Kaplan fund is among privale agencies that have figured prominently in the latest disclosures that academic and international organizations received moncy from foundations serving as conduits for the CIA.

"TAX EXEMPT foundations dis- ing tighter controls over the tax woused \$2.2 billion in gifts and exempt foundations. grants from 1961 to 1964," Evins

reconvened shortly to look into mate, hugh-hugh secret operations the part played by foundations in of the CIA.

he continued.

purposes for which the foundations had received funds from the inwere established."

Evins said the CIA charter spe- | Subsequent disclosures promptcilies that funds granted it are to ed demands in Congress and from

for an oversens operation.

"There has been added interest studying the question,

AN AME to Evins said the new "The select committee will be inquiry will not "pry" into legiti-

the disbursement of CIA funds, The controversey over private forganizations and foundations link-"We would like to determine ed with the CIA exploded last whether they were bonafide dis-week with admission by the Nabursements in keeping with the tional Student Association that it Melligence agenc ysince 1962.

be utilized for overseas operations, other sources for full inquiry of However, he added, there are the CIA's operations in these News American Correspondent ino restrictions on spending CIA prens. A special three-man Presifunds here if the basic purpose is dential panel and several congressional committees are already

in operation of some of the tax. Foundations identified as con-exempt foundations in view of the duits for the CIA have been conligation into the role recent disclosures," Evins added tributing millions since the 1950s "I feel our committee can be of to a wide range of academic, redations in the disburse- service by perhaps recommend-scarch, journalism, business, labor, youth and student organizations here and abroad.